GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Higher Education – W.P.No.22104 of 2020 & W.P. No.21136 of 2021 - An Amendment to the Andhra Pradesh Degree Colleges Online Admission (for admission of students into Undergraduate Course in Arts, Science, Social Sciences, Commerce, Management, Computer Applications, Social Work etc., including Honours) Rules, 2020– Notification-Orders - Issued.

HIGHER EDUCATION (CE) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.56 Dated:20.10.2021
Read the following:

1. G.O Ms.No.34, Higher Education (CE) Dept, Dt:15.10.2020
2. Orders of Hon'ble High Court in WP No.22104 of 2020, Dt:24.12.2020
3. Memo No.1467425/IE-A2/2021-1 SE(IE) Dept, Dt: 03.07.2021
4. Rc.No.APSCHE/AC/GenUGProg/Online Admns/2021-22, Dt:06.10.2021 (through e file Computer No. 1530124)

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ORDER:-

Vide the G.O., first read above, the Government has issued the Andhra Pradesh Degree Colleges Online Admission (for admission of students into Undergraduate Course in Arts, Science, Social Sciences, Commerce, Management, Computer Applications, Social Work etc., including Honours) Rules, 2020 for introducing the online admission process for admission into undergraduate courses offered by the Degree Colleges in the State to curb malpractices, conduct fair and merit based admissions in a transparent basis in the larger interest and welfare of the student community.

2. As per rule 4.1 of the said G O, the order of merit of the candidates shall be on the basis of the aggregate marks secured by the candidates in the qualifying examination. However, the aggregate marks awarded by other Boards will be normalized with that of Board of Intermediate Education, A.P.

3. As per rule 3 (iv) and rule 3 (ix) of the said GO, the candidates seeking admission into B.Sc. course and BSW course should have passed and secured 40% marks in aggregate in the qualifying examination (a Pass only in the case of SC and ST Candidates).

4. However, the Hon'ble High Court of Andhra Pradesh vide orders dated:24.12.2020 in W.P.No.22104 of 2020 has directed the Government to reduce the cut off marks to 35% in the qualifying examination.

5. Due to the prevailing pandemic situation, the Board of Intermediate Education has not conducted examinations for II year and so, it is argued in the Hon'ble High Court in WP.No.21136 of 2021 without there being a public examination or a common entrance test being conducted similar to the CETs conducted for admission into Professional Courses and the relevant rule in the said GO cannot be followed for UG online admissions 2021-22 unless an amendment is issued.

6. In this connection, the Government vide Memo No.1467425/IE-A2/2021-1 School Education (IE) Dept., Dt:03.07.2021 has determined the merit assessment of Intermediate Public Examinations 2021, by appointing a Committee which recommended in its report to award 30% weightage to the marks obtained in X Class and 70% weightage to marks obtained in I year of Intermediate in all subjects which was taken as the basis for awarding theory marks in Second year for each student, and accordingly Board of Intermediate Education, issued marks to all students, which is the basis for arriving at merit for admission into Degree programs for academic year 2021-22 as informed by the AP State Council of Higher Education vide reference fourth read above.

7. Accordingly, the following notification will be published in an extra-ordinary issue of the Andhra Pradesh Gazette on 20.10.2021:

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred under Sections 99(1)(a) and 99(1)(b)(xxv) of the Andhra Pradesh Education Act, 1982 (Act No.1 of 1982) read with clauses (i) and (j) of Section 25 (2) of Andhra Pradesh Universities Act, 1991 (Act No.4 of 1991), the Government of Andhra Pradesh hereby makes the following amendment to the Andhra Pradesh Degree Colleges Online Admission (for admission of students into Undergraduate Course in Arts, Science, Social Sciences, Commerce, Management, Computer Applications, Social Work etc., including Honours) Rules, 2020 issued vide G.O.Ms.No.34 Higher Education (CE) Department Dt: 15.10.2020:

AMENDMENT

1. In said Rules, in Rule 3 (iv) and in Rule 3(ix), the words and figures "40%" shall be substituted with the words and figures "35%".

2. In said Rules, the following proviso shall be inserted under Rule 4.1, namely:

> "Provided that in the event of qualifying examination not conducted by respective Boards due to an Act of God or pandemic/epidemic or for any other reason thereof, the methodology adopted by such Boards in arriving at marks of candidates in the qualifying examination will be final and the same shall be used in preparing the order of merit for the purpose of conducting admissions."

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

SATISH CHANDRA
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